



EU Settlement Scheme: Information for EU/EEA citizen children

If you were living in the UK by 31 December 2020 and you are from one of the European countries listed on this leaflet, you must apply to the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS)

Now that the UK has left the European Union, children and adults from other European countries who live in the UK need to apply for permission to stay. This is called 'pre-settled' or 'settled status' depending on how long you or your parents have lived in the UK. Once you have received permission, you can carry on living in the UK as you do now. Existing close family members who are EU nationals will also be allowed to come and live with you in the UK.



Can I still apply to the EU Settlement Scheme?

You should have applied by 30 June 2021 but you can still make a late application. You will need to explain why you missed the 30 June 2021 deadline so that a caseworker can consider whether the reason you missed the deadline was reasonable.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO PAY ANYTHING.

You can apply yourself if you understand how to, as long as you have been living in the UK since 31st December 2020. Your parents or another adult who looks after you can also apply for you or 'link' your application with theirs.

How can I get help if I need it?

If you have a question about your application or need additional support, go to:

eu-settled-status-enquiries.service.gov.uk

There is also a helpline:
0300 123 7379

If you don't apply, you may experience problems when it comes to applying for college, university, jobs or other benefits in the future.



If you are from one of the European countries listed below, or you are a family member of someone from one of these countries, you must make an application to the EU Settlement Scheme



Austria



Belgium



Bulgaria



Croatia



Republic of Cyprus



Czech Republic



Denmark



Estonia



Finland



France



Germany



Greece



Hungary



Iceland



Ireland
(optional)



Italy



Latvia



Liechtenstein



Lithuania



Luxembourg



Malta



Netherlands



Norway



Poland



Portugal



Romania



Slovakia



Slovenia



Spain



Sweden



Switzerland

For frequently asked questions (FAQs), please visit: www.liverpool.ac.uk/law/research/european-childrens-rights-unit/campaigns/eu-settlement-scheme/



To apply, visit gov.uk/eusettlementscheme If you need any help, call **0300 123 7379**

What will I need to apply?

- Identity document such as a passport or national identity card and a digital photo of your face
- If you are a non-EEA citizen, you can provide either your valid passport or valid biometric residence card (BRC) and you may need to provide your fingerprints



Remember!

A separate application form has to be filled out for each child in the family

What happens when I apply?

Step 1

They will make sure that you are who you say you are

You will need to use your identity document to confirm who you are. Scan the document on your phone, send your document by post or visit a location that can scan it for you: [gov.uk/eu-id-scanner-locations](https://www.gov.uk/eu-id-scanner-locations)

Step 2

They will make sure you are already living in the UK

If you do not have a national insurance number, you can upload other documents as evidence you were living in the UK by 31 December 2020 and that you continue to do so, such as an official letter from your bank, school or doctor.

Step 3

They will do some final checks

If you are under 18, you do not need to tell them if you have been in jail or committed a crime. However, they will check if any applicants over the age of 10 have a criminal record.



What happens after I have applied?

CONFIRMATION:

You or your parent (if they have applied for you) will receive an email telling you if you have been granted pre-settled or settled status or not.

WHILE YOU WAIT:

You or your parent (if they have applied for you) will receive an email once your application has been received. This will explain how you can prove your rights if you need to, until your application has been checked to make sure it is valid.

DIGITAL STATUS:

You will not receive an ID card through the post. Instead, your status will be digital: a record will be kept online. You can get details of your status and update your details if they change by going to www.gov.uk/view-prove-immigration-status. **MAKE SURE YOU KEEP THE DETAILS OF YOUR APPLICATION FOR THE FUTURE, INCLUDING THE ID DOCUMENT, MOBILE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS YOU USED.**

Once you make a valid application, your rights will be protected whilst it is being processed. You will know when your application is accepted as valid because you will be issued with a Certificate of Application which will explain to you how you can prove your rights in the UK while you wait to hear if you have been granted pre-settled or settled status [and during any appeal]. More information on the View and Prove is available on GOV.UK

If you have been granted pre-settled status, you will need to **APPLY FOR SETTLED STATUS** when you have been resident in the UK for at least 5 years. www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families/switch-from-presettled-status-to-settled-status

Further information and answers to some frequently asked questions are available here:

www.liverpool.ac.uk/law/research/european-childrens-rights-unit/brexit/eu-settlement-scheme/

If your application is unsuccessful, you can apply for a review if you think there's been a mistake. www.gov.uk/guidance/eu-settlement-scheme-apply-for-an-administrative-review